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Dear Tom,

I am returning herewith the diary which you lent to me recently. We have now had this translated, and I am also enclosing the literal translation which has been done. I stupidly forgot to ask for two copies of this, so would you kindly let me have the notes back in due course?

I take it that this diary was written after the return of the Dutchmen to the United Kingdom, or alternatively while they were in Spain. It does not contain anything of very great interest from the point of view of interrogation, though it is noteworthy that a number of the points which you have brought out are omitted from it, and on the whole it does not strike me as a very frank account. There are also one or two discrepancies between the diary and the story now related, as for example under September 27th., where the entry referring to the wireless reply from England states that the message advised the Dutchmen to aim at a neutral country if they persisted in coming to the United Kingdom. This is the first reference I have heard to any such alleged message, since SPROUT and CHIVE have up to date indicated that the alleged reply was restricted to telling them to stay in Holland.

You may find one or two matters in the diary which might repay further questioning, and we might perhaps discuss it when you have read the notes.

Yours sincerely,

Captain T. Ansell Wells,
S.O.E.

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